



PATENT  
Customer Number 22,852  
Attorney Docket No. 04329.2210

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Katsuhiko HIEDA et al.

Serial No.: 09/469,190

Filed: December 21, 1999

For: SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE  
AND METHOD FOR  
MANUFACTURING THE SAME

Group Art Unit: 2813

Examiner: Y. Huynh

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

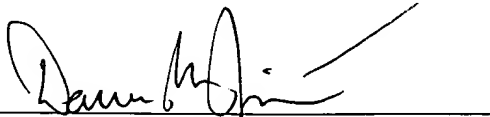
In a restriction requirement dated February 7, 2001, the Examiner required restriction under 35 U.S.C. § 121 between Group I (claims 1-20) and Group II (claims 21-23). Applicants provisionally elect to prosecute Group I (claims 1-20) drawn to a semiconductor device.

Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge any additional required fees to our deposit account 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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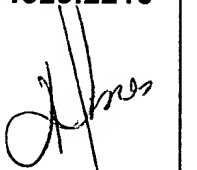
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